

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.R. No. 48

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2015  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.R. No. 48 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COMMITTEE ON WEIGHTS AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO CONSIDER THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF REMOTE SCHOOLS WHEN REEVALUATING THE WEIGHTED STUDENT FORMULA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Committee on Weights and the Board of Education to consider the unique needs of remote schools when reevaluating the weighted student formula.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that the weighted student formula, which provides funding on a per pupil basis to each school, does not provide adequate funding for remotely located schools due to small student populations and geographic limitations. Your Committee believes that these unique needs of remote schools should be considered by the Committee on Weights and the Board of Education when reevaluating the weighted student formula.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 48 and recommends its adoption.



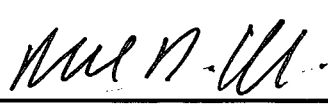
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SR48</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">EDU, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">4-8-15</div>																		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____																				
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused																
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓																			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓																			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓																			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓																			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓																			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓																
HARIMOTO, Breene	✓																			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	✓																			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓																			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓																			
SLOM, Sam	✓																			
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